(b) whether the National Centre for Software Technology, Bombay is competent to carry out the tests for Computer Hardware viz. Floppy Disc Drives etc, if so, the number of such tests carried out so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir. National Centre for Software Technology (NCST), Bombay has the necessary facilities for the field testing of the integration of the computer hardware including peripherals. NCST has so far carried out six tests of PC subsystems/peripherals including floppy disc drives being used in the ET&T computers.

Non-filling up of vacancies of PGTs in Kendriya Vidyalayas of North East Region

1784. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of posts of PGTs have remained unfilled in Kendriya Vidyalayas in the North East Region during the current academic session; and

(b) if so, the details thereof as on 1-7-89 and 1-3-90 Vidyalaya—wise and subject—wise; and the reasons therefor; the loss of studies suffered by the students on this count?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement showing the details of the vacant posts as on 1-7-89 and 1-3-90 Vidyalaya-wise and subject-wise is at Annexure. [See Appendix CLIII Annexure No. 75] Keeping in view that the study of the children may not suffer, the following instructions were issued to Assistant Commissioners in the beginning of the session itself;

(i) Adhoc teachers may be appointed against vacant posts as per Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan rules till such time the regular teachers were posted.

(ii) At stations where adhoc teachers were not readily available, a system of sharing teachers between the schools located at one station may be tried.

(iii) At single Kendriya Vidyalaya stations, teachers may be deputed from other Kendriya Vidyalayas for temporary period, in case adhoc teachers were not available.

Inclusion of more elective subjects for students of K.V.S. at plus two stage

1785. SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of elective subjects a student of Kendriya Vidyalaya can offer at plus two stage is meagre as compared to the subjects available to students of non-Kendriya Vidyalaya in the Union Territory of Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof and justification therefor;

(c) whether All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers Association has asked for inclusion of more elective subject: and

(d) if so, what is Sangathan's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION